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HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

presentation of a Fine Plaster Bust of Mr. E. A. Gastman to the Decatur Schools.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT FOR OVER 34 YEARS.

The Bust a Gift of the Teachers and Pupils---Well-Merited Tributes to Mr. Gastman and Artist Crunelle---The Addresses---Music and Flowers.

A ceremony in the history of the public schools was witnessed in the assembly room of the High School this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It was the formal presentation to the schools of a fine plaster bust of Mr. E. A. Gastman, who has been superintendent of the Decatur schools continuously since 1860 and has been city superintendent for over thirty-four years. The gift is a recognition in part of the faithful and efficient services of our distinguished educator, whose life has been devoted to the upbuilding of the schools. His wisdom and personality are fixed forever in the minds and hearts of thousands of young men and women who have passed through the schools. Nearly all of the graduates have turned to him and thank Mr. Gastman. All have respected his wishes and for his uniform consideration of the rights and privileges of the scholar. Evidence of friendship is shown frequently at the alumni meetings and at casual meetings of those who have passed through the high

school, had charge of the platform exercises. The first number on the program was music by the high school chorus. The selection was "The Isle of Beauty." Opening Remarks. Mr. Sheppard by way of introduction said: It is a notable occasion that has brought us together today. We gather here as the representatives of 3400 pupils and eighty teachers of the citizens of Decatur and the friends of its schools to do honor to him who has been an honor to the city. In this busy, bustling world of ours with its absorbing duties and cares we do not often take time to measure our debt to others, or to bear witness to the help their influence has given us. Not that we are ungrateful to the ones who would it. But we receive so constantly and so liberally that we grow careless of our debt. And yet there are a few choice spirits who give us abundantly and so helpfully that we must consider them as "preferred creditors." Some there are whose earnestness, enthusiasm and faith, unflinching integrity, sincerity and high mindedness, touch

The more we feel the high, stern-featured beauty. Of plain devotedness to duty. Steadfast and still, nor paid with mortal praise. But finding ample recompense. For life's ungarlanded expense. In work done squarely and unwasted days. It is an interesting fact that Mr. Gastman was a member of the first graduating class of the first educational institution established by the state of Illinois, the Illinois State Normal University. And it is our good fortune to have with us as the speaker of the day the distinguished head of that institution, President John W. Cook, who has known our superintendent for forty years. No man is better qualified to speak of his work and worth than Mr. Cook and we are grateful for his presence here today.

Address. John W. Cook, LL. D., president of the Illinois State Normal University, an old acquaintance of Superintendent Gastman, delivered an interesting address on "Personal Recollections of Mr. Gastman."



Supt. E. A. Gastman.

which covered many points in his career as an educator.

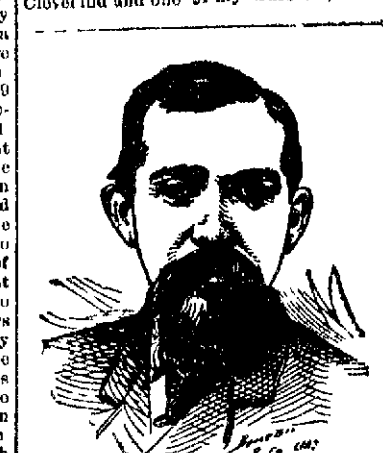
The Artist. Mrs. Mary E. Haworth, member of the board of education, read a paper on "The Artist." It was as follows:

To me has fallen the pleasant task of placing on record in connection with these interesting ceremonies some account of the life and labors of the young sculptor whose work has so astonished and delighted all who have seen it. His early struggle against apparently insurmountable obstacles, born as it were, into unfavorable surroundings, is of itself the strongest lesson to the young who feel that circumstances cannot be surmounted. Fortunate of course he was in coming to America, fortunate in coming to Decatur and in finding such friends as he did. But what would all this have availed him if it had not been for his own indomitable will and courage in controlling discouraging obstacles. His persevering determination was to waste no time but in each moment count in the accomplishment of his purpose to work out what he felt within his soul. Desiring to make this as nearly as possible a correct account, I know of no one so well able to furnish the desired information as the one who first recognized his artistic ability and has never failed in her earnest efforts for his success, who has been spiritually and temporarily a veritable mother in his artistic life--Mrs. Sarah E. Waughop. The main facts which follow are given as nearly as possible in her own words.

Leonard Crunelle was born in Lens de partment Bas de Calais, France, July 8, 1872. His mother was probably his only early inspiration. He was educated in a convent in France and her brothers are conductors in an orchestra in that country. Coming to America at the age of 9 years his father having previously obtained work in the coal mines at Brazil, Indiana, he was immediately placed at work there with his father. Although he was only a trifle taller than the huge tin lunch basket carried by the miners and the tender boy was so overcome by the poisonous air of the mine that he had to be lifted again and again to the top of the shaft to be revived yet he was kept at work in the mine. His inability to speak English was accepted by the miners as an indication of his mental inferiority and they at once placed him under the ban as an alien, pelled him with stones and made existence a veritable inferno to the sensitive lad. From this persecution his home heart turned longingly to recollections of the conditions among which he had grown up in his native town of Lens where the miners were of a far more congenial kind. There after the day's work was over he used to take his violin and play by the hour to a sympathetic and appreciative audience of his fellow laborers. After working at the various coal mines of Brazil, Coal Creek, Yeddo, etc., the family drifted to Decatur, Ill. Leonard was now about 16. Though there had always been an earnest desire in the boy's heart for knowledge, even acquiring the rudiments of an education had been denied him, until his family settled near the mission then opened in the coal mining settlement on East Eldorado street. "My attention," says Mrs. Waughop, "had been especially directed to Leonard, who was then a pupil in the high school. He seemed so happy for only the privilege of studying three nights weekly. My interest deepened in the boy when I also found him possessed of a musical talent. Then I learned from the superintendent of the mines that he had not an enemy among the miners, having always a pleasant word for everyone. In this way I became more completely assured than ever of the boy's

superiority to his surroundings and had no farther hesitancy in allowing him the privilege of coming to my home to find companions for which nature's God had fitted him--books and music. He literally devoured every thing of this nature in his slight, seemingly with the voracious appetite of one starving when food is suddenly placed before him--evidence of a greater hunger than that for food--hunger of the soul. I would find dainty little sketches on every piece of blank paper he would touch, and often while conversing with me he would seize a pencil and trace outlines of some landscape on the margin of the book which he had been reading. I once asked him if they were a memory of any time or place. After a hearty "No," dropping the pencil and looking earnestly at me, said, "I only wish I could sketch what I really saw awake, or not even in my dreams have I seen such visions." That day before leaving my home he called my attention admiringly to a beautiful wood cut of the Magdalene, one of the magazines I remarked that some day I hoped to possess a genuine reproduction of it. On leaving he asked the privilege of taking the magazine with him. In a few days he returned with a copy far more beautiful than the wood cut which astonished and charmed me, so that I determined to secure the opinion of some artist of recognized merit as to the advisability of a proper course of study for the boy. I had asked him when talking of the Magdalene if he would not like to become a great artist. With touching sadness he answered "How could I, a poor boy, ever become great, I need not hope." But I insisted. Would you not like to make the attempt? I shall never forget his look of sorrowful earnestness in saying "It has been the dream of my life even the glimpse of the interior of an artist's studio would make me happy but that can never be so." With that indefinable French shrug of the shoulders our conversation ended for that day. Soon afterward I had an interview with Miss Laura Johns with a view of giving him, if possible, the advantage of instruction in drawing. She remarked on viewing the copy of the Magdalene that the merit of the work was so pronounced she could scarcely believe my statement that the boy had never been an artist's pupil. Arrangements were made for him to commence a term of drawing lessons the next week. One of the most impressive and touching experiences came to me when I unfolded the plans to my protégé. I had called to Leonard as he was passing the house without coming in as usual. He stood just inside the door as he was in a hurry to complete his errand. I then reminded him of the great desire of his life and that the unfolding of his dream was about to be realized. That Miss Johns and myself had arranged that his first instructions should commence in her studio the following week. He was dumb. I could not understand why a nature so sensitive and appreciative could remain silent under the circumstances until an earnest inquiring look from me brought a flood of tears to his eyes and he left the house without a word shaking as if with a nervous chill. Promptly and cheerfully Leonard commenced the period of instruction generously made possible by Miss Johns. He haunted the studio during every spare moment, often spending Sundays there. His father gave him no encouragement. In his pursuit of knowledge but tried to impress him with the belief that as a poor boy he could make nothing of himself. But Leonard could not be discouraged. He would hurry to the studio three times each week as early in the morning as possible running all the way home to be again at work in the mine as soon after the noon hour as he could in the vain endeavor to appear in unsympathetic father. Just before Mr. Gastman's arrival in Decatur in April 1893, under the auspices of the Woman's club, company Leonard and myself were invited to play together at an entertainment given by the King's Daughters at the residence of Mr. J. F. Roach. During that evening in the course of a conversation in reference to him, I referred to his fondness for sculpture, a talent which then was only struggling for an expression. He had then left my home with mud and plaster and had even this early succeeded in modeling a bust of President Cleveland and one of my husband, both

prepared his habitation in their midst, leaving two strong pieces of wood run one upon shelf to another on the opposite side of the narrow apartment, he placed upon them his bust which he succeeded at night by means of a candle held steadily and combed his drapery to a firm array of celestial guardians. His duties at the studio were in the line of manual labor and he received no instruction in any form. At the institution he was almost dumbly devoted to the life class and his work there was all that his most sanguine friends had anticipated. He was in Mr. Gastman's studio two years and made himself a general favorite but during that time says his teacher "he gave me two tremendous surprises. One when he told me he was married to his friend Mrs. Waughop's adopted daughter. The other, when on returning from spending the holidays in Decatur he brought with him a large bundle which he handled very carefully. His expression as he removed the wrappings from the clay model which the parcel contained was not unlike that which his face betrayed when he revealed the secret of his marriage. 'That's my lady, Marguerite,' he said, 'of course it is rough and only my first real attempt to do anything with the clay but I do think it looks like her.' I was charmed and delighted with it and so have been hundreds of others for it was cast in plaster, scores of replicas were sold at \$3 apiece and I think his income from this source almost paid his way here in the city as long as he remained. Since the birth of his lady this young artist has devoted himself almost wholly to sculpture practically abandoning the field of painting into which he at first entered with some enthusiasm. He also narrowly escaped being tempted into the enchanting world of music for which his gift is considered little less than phenomenal. When he was dwelling among the death masks in Mr. Gastman's studio one of Chicago's best violinists after hearing him play offered him free instruction if he would devote himself to the violin instead of the pencil, the brush and the clay. Specimens of his work have been shown in Chicago, Cleveland and New York during the last two years favorable mention of which was made by the press in those cities. For his first model, 'Baby Marguerite,' he received a bronze medal and a diploma from the Atlanta Cotton States Exposition."



Pres. D. S. Shellabarger.

of good characterization. Through the generosity of the Woman's club, company Leonard was enabled to attend the Chicago Exposition. Through the generosity of Mrs. V. G. Hatch gained the privilege of a personal interview with Mr. Gastman. After a few remarks in reference to the young man's work which had been brought to him for criticism, he used those prophetic words, "Young man, I understand under what disadvantages you have had to work but if you will only apply yourself as you should some day you will be sure to reach the topmost round of the ladder." Mr. Gastman in reference to this meeting, "I shall never forget my first meeting with Leonard. He was a handsome boy just coming into manhood and was shy and modest without being positively beautiful. When interviewed he attempted to speak in broken English. His French tongue, however, made small headway with our

language and when I replied to him in French his big brown eyes shone with delight. This seemed to open up to me the pathetic story of his troubles. Before Mr. Gastman's return to Chicago he assured Leonard that he should bear him in mind and if possible make an opportunity for him to study. This promise encouraged him to renewed sacrifice and after playing for dancing classes and other social gatherings often as late as 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning and then back at work in the mines promptly at 7 o'clock he was enabled by strictest economy to accumulate \$75 as a nucleus for his beginning in study. A letter from Mr. Gastman the year previous to the World's Fair made it possible for him to enter his studio then in the horticultural building the sculptural decoration of which was in Mr. Gastman's charge. This was the young man's first introduction to his chosen profession and what greater inspiration could have been furnished a young artist than the dream like decorative beauty of the White City. Following this Mr. Gastman offered him employment which would enable him to attend the Chicago art institute and take a thorough course in drawing and painting. With a joyful heart he accepted the proposition and took up his abode in the morning of Mr. Gastman's studio. The morning is a small room which resembles a country kitchen with the exception that the walls are white and ghostly death masks, but Leonard, as he was familiarly called by the tenants of the Athenaeum building, was not in the least alarmed by the unsightly reminder of human mortality. He smiled them his guardian angels and

716 Athenaeum building, Dec. 12, '96. The second letter was from Prof. Taft. A. H. H. Bldg., Chicago, Dec. 6, 1896--Dear Mrs. Haworth: I wish that I had time to write all the good things that I might truthfully say of Leonard. My friends joke me sometimes about my habit of calling each in turn "My most promising pupil." You know how enthusiastic and blinded a teacher sometimes becomes but I do not think that I am exaggerating in the least when I say that I expect from Leonard more than from any other who has studied under my guidance. His simple, fine character is the kind that great artists are made of. He is talented without possessing the dangerous "clearness" which wrecks so many artists. He is patient and painstaking and thoroughly in love with his work. Without he has a deep poetic nature, and there is a sentiment in his work which many of our most famous artists might give their fortunes to possess. Leonard is as good as he is gifted, and it seems to have no appeal to him. His is a man's call that your city and the west will soon be proud of. This sounds extravagant but I mean it and I am very glad that he is receiving recognition at home. Sincerely yours, Lorado Taft.

At the close Mrs. Haworth presented Mr. Crunelle with a beautiful bouquet of American Beauty and La France roses.

The Presentation. Mrs. A. J. Murphy, principal of the Church street school, formally presented the bust. She said:

Mr. Shellabarger, president of the board, and ladies and gentlemen:

I am accorded the honor of this place and hour because of my great age and my association with Mr. Gastman in the public schools.

It is known that the United States never for its riches than murders and hangings and for its honor. She is known for her enterprise her science her artists but chiefly for the longevity of her teachers.

These teachers do sometimes marry, occasionally go away but they seldom die. If you are, an empty bearing with some of us thinking the great teacher may soon come along disrobe the illusion and lay our heads on the block at once. We are glad to stand in one respect at least.

I taught with Mr. Gastman the first years of his superintendency and have been associated with him all these years either as a parent or teacher. I have seen his life and progress through all the changes which have come to both of us. My children have grown up in these schools. Your children, and my children's children will profit by the instruction he has made and the good he has done.

This portrait which reflects such credit upon the artist will always be a reminder to the present and future generations of teachers and pupils of the long and successful service of Mr. Gastman in the Decatur schools.

It will remind us as teachers of his big old idea "The Good of the Child," of his loyalty to duty, of his great generous heartiness and of his unselfish crowning up processes. How with whip and spur he made us keep up with the procession and sometimes even to run ahead of the band wagon. We are what we are because he would not let us slack.

To you young people of the high school it will be an incentive to high and noble living reminding you of how he put a character before books, righteousness before learning and truth before everything. Mr. Shellabarger, in behalf of the Decatur public schools, I present to the board of education for the high school this bust of our honored superintendent.

Accepted. D. S. Shellabarger, president of the Decatur board of education, received the bust, and said:

Mrs. Murphy, Teachers and Scholars. There have been many attempts to hand down to posterity some remembrance of men. In the pages of history we read of deeds and eagerly search for some description of men who performed them, and wish we could see their faces. Paintings have a rare value in preserving the portraits of distinguished men, and the modern photograph and illustrated newspapers make us familiar with faces. The most ancient forms of which we have mentioned as to the appearance of cele-

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The United States Should Act.

If the war in Cuba is continued, which it will be unless Spain is restrained by some outside power or by force, there is no escape for the United States from becoming involved in serious trouble with Spain. We might escape it by the United States making war on its own people to prevent them adding the Cubans. This the government cannot afford to do, not for all the Spaniards in Christendom. To do this the entire navy would have to be employed to prevent successful filibustering. The United States marshals or anywhere would have to do detective service to prevent our young men going to Cuba to fight for it and our courts would have to be opened to try and condemn our young men and send them to prison. This no one would seriously contend the government could afford to do.

The truth of the whole matter is that our relations with Cuba, on account of its proximity to us, are closer than that of the people of any other nation and this makes us sort of kin to its people, and when they rebelled against the outrageous robbery of the crown, the sympathies of our people went out to the Cubans, but as soon as it was made known that the Cubans proposed to establish a republic the sympathies of our people were turned into a consuming desire to aid the patriots to secure self government. This condition makes it impossible to escape serious contention with Spain and in all probability a conflict. If this be true, then there is nothing to be gained by delaying matters. We should at once recognize Cuba as a republic and take the consequences. If Spain don't happen to like it, and feels that she ought to punish this government for using its best judgment in this way, then let us accept the punishment if we can't ward off the blow. Grover Cleveland once argued the tariff question along the lines of the golden rule, insisting that a tariff on foreign made goods was not doing to others as we would have them do to us. Why not apply the golden rule in this case? If the president were a field marshal at the head of an army with machine guns fighting for liberty he would be glad to have some nation with a great big warm heart come to the aid of the liberty he sought. We cannot hold the good will of Spain. Under the conditions which confront us, we cannot avoid trouble with Spain and it were better that we have it out right now and have done with it. Nothing can be gained by putting it off. If it becomes necessary let us fight for peace.

Throwing Dust.

According to the gospel of a Populist, none are honest except Populists. Regardless of the fact that in a majority of the states carried for Bryan there is no pretension to free and honest elections coupled with honest counts, Senator Allen in a speech in the senate makes an effort to create a public belief that Bryan was cheated in the election in the pivotal states. This he does by pointing to the fact that Bryan had more votes than Cleveland in each of the states of California, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky, and yet McKinley carried all of them and that Bryan had more votes than Harrison in Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Oregon and yet McKinley carried all these states. Thus he endeavors to raise the question, why, if the former group of states were carried for Cleveland they were not carried by Bryan when he got more votes in them than Cleveland did, and, as to the latter group, carried by Harrison, why, if Harrison carried them and Bryan got more votes in them than Harrison, he did not carry them.

Thus these demagogues try to throw dust in the eyes of their people. It is well known that a tight vote was cast in 1892 and a full vote in 1890. In 1893 there were many who remained away from the polls because they did not like Cleveland and the same was true as to Harrison. Allen knows this but facts have neither terror for, nor control of a free electorate. They still have revolution in their brain and will do anything to arouse prejudice in the minds of unthinking and unsuspecting people.

Supposed Maceo is Alive.

Stories by the way of Key West, Fla., are to the effect that Maceo still lives; that he passed over or around the trocha and is now in the province of Matanzas where he is at the head of a force of insurgents and where he recently fought a battle. Should these reports prove true what would become of Weyler? The stories of his death have all come from Spanish sources and from these conflicting stories have been woven the story that his death was accomplished by treachery. But, however this may be, Weyler has proceeded upon the theory that Maceo is dead and has received the plaudits of the Spaniards in Cuba and the compliments

of his government for his adroitness in bringing about the death of that intrepid leader.

Flushed with these marks of distinction he has promoted and rewarded those who were immediately concerned in killing Maceo. Now, suppose Maceo is still alive what a ridiculous situation Weyler and Dr. Zertucha will be in.

Three bandits held up a man recently and secured three cents as the result. These gentlemen were perhaps as sadly disappointed as the fellows who held up protection in 1892 expecting to improve their condition.

Some well diggers in Michigan struck a keg of whisky with a drill at a depth of fifteen feet. Spirits have generally been supposed to inhabit the air but in Michigan it may be different.

Dr. Zertucha had better go farther than Spain if he seeks safety. In case of war between Spain and the United States he might be discovered.

Doctors' Mistakes.

TREATING THE WRONG DISEASE.

How large bills are run up without benefit to the sufferer.

Many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from nervous disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another with pain here and there, and in this way they all present alike to themselves and their easy-going, indifferent, over-busy doctors, separate and distinct diseases, for which they prescribe their pills and potions, assuaging them to be such, when, in reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some womb disease. The physician ignorant of the cause of suffering, encourages his practice until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better, but probably worse, by reason of the delay, wrong treatment and consequent complications. A proper medicine, like Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, directed to the cause would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and instituting comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured." Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully compounded by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate organization. It cures all derangements, irregularities and weaknesses of the womanly organs. It is purely vegetable in its composition and perfectly harmless in its effects in any condition of the system. For morning sickness, or nausea, due to pregnancy, it cures, and kindred symptoms, its use will prove very beneficial. It also makes childbirth easy by preparing the system for parturition, thus assisting Nature and shortening "labor." The period of confinement is also greatly shortened, the mother strengthened and built up, and an abundant secretion of nutriment for the child promoted. Sold by all dealers.

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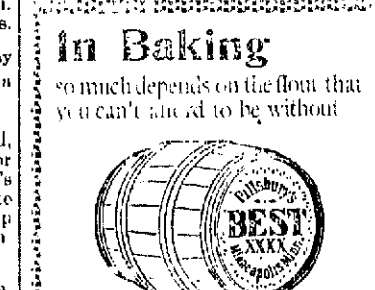
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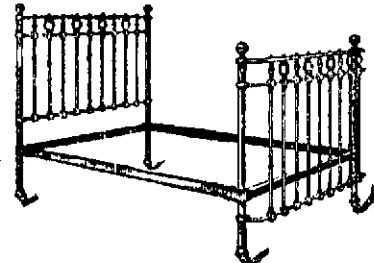
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Buy perfume atomizers at Irwin's.
Go to Irwin's drug store for best grade of perfumes at bottom prices.
The Holdens will appear at the Grand tonight.
The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weiland are the best in town. 25¢-5¢.
Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.
Danville barbers have returned to work on Sundays.
I. N. Irwin & Co. has a fine line of bottle perfume in fancy boxes for Christmas trade.
Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodas's News House.—14¢-1¢.
Felt boots and overs at Waggoner & Co.'s for \$1.90.

Rev. A. M. Danely will preach Sunday morning at the Elwin church and in the afternoon at the Blue Mound chapel.

Mama eats a Cascarel, baby gets the benefit. Cascarels make mother's milk mildly purgative.

Bulk perfumes and atomizers for Christmas, low prices at West's drug store.

The members of the Mt. Zion Epworth League held an oyster supper last evening.

Just before going to bed eat a Cascarel, candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

The Easterly Modern Windman will meet tonight.

Rev. Field of the U. B. church, is conducting a protracted meeting at Bloody this week.

What's the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarels will cure. Eat them like candy.

The members of the public improvement committee of the city council will hold a meeting this evening at 7 o'clock. Several matters are to come up for discussion.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on the Neisler Drug and Supply Co. or N. L. Krohn and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar which always gives relief.

Great bargains in holiday goods at A. J. Wallace's, 551 North Water street. All kinds, manure acts, collar and cuff boxes, great wave blouses all styles, Episcopal prayer books, children's and miscellaneous books, games, dolls, etc. best bargains in the city. Call and see at 551 North Water street.—18-18

No better soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hardest of any coal within 100 miles of Decatur and the harder the coal the longer it will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in stock at market price. Up town office, Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800 North Broadway, old phone 433, now phone 435. M. P. Metz.—21-41

An unknown woman was caught in the act of stealing a silver dollar at the First M. E. church dinner yesterday afternoon. She was seen to take the silver dollar off the cash table and several ladies followed her to the vestibule and compelled her to give it back. There was no arrest. The woman had a lot of articles on her person which she claimed to have stolen from various stores in the city.

A revelation to the Public.
We have a state secret to reveal to you if you will come and see us prior to ordering your Christmas turkey, duck, or goose. Name of every description to be had of us if ordered in time to be shipped in. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 341.—14-44

Dancing.
The second term of Prof. Leonard's dancing class commences next Monday night. Beginners' class meets at 7:30. The fee for this term will be \$4 to all former pupils.—12-45

Dolls.
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Sales of Real Estate.
Harry Fisk, Jr., to Louisa A. Fisk, lot 1, sub division of part of lot 16, in 16, 16, 2 east, \$500.
Malinda Madden to A. C. G. Bowers, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 3, Rodgers' second addition to Argenta, \$2900.
Thomas A. Pritthead to W. Z. Walmsley, undivided half of lot 25, block 5, Higley's addition, \$100.

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BASKET BALL GAME.
Young Ladies from Decatur went to Bloomington To-day to Play a Game With the Team of That City.

The members of the Decatur young ladies' basket ball team left this morning for Bloomington where this afternoon they will play with the Bloomington team. The game will be quite a society event and will be attended by a large number of persons. The Decatur girls will be entertained by the Bloomington team. There will be a dinner party this evening and at night a theatre party to see the "Prisoner of Zenda." Mrs. F. L. Hays went with the young ladies to act as chaperone. The members of the team are as follows: Misses Lena Ulrich, captain, Madge Hays, Lennie Moore, Grace Hamsher, Myrtle Wheeler, Clara Green, Anna Roby, Jane Roby, Ida Voorhies, Edith Durfee.

The ice harvest at Pekin will give employment to 400 men. The harvest will consist of 30,000 tons of crystal.

Charles Sagar, who was Chicago purchasing agent for the Kankakee public, has landed in the Cuban insurgent army.

Whist Club.
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Caldwell entertained the members of the West End Euchre club at their home on West Prairie street last evening. Six hand euchre was the game played. The club will have its next meeting at the home of W. H. Elwood, Dec. 31.

Diphtheria.
Helen Spooner, aged 8 years, died of diphtheria at midnight Thursday at Blue Mound. P. D. Spooner, the father, and the oldest son, are down with the same disease at the family home. Mrs. Sarah Eickerts, a professional nurse from Kansas City, Mo., sister of C. M. and H. L. Spooner, is attending the afflicted family.

The Governor's Wedding.
Mr. and Mrs. K. Harwood of this city, will be among the guests at the marriage of Governor-elect Tanner and Miss English at Springfield on Dec. 30. Mrs. Harwood knew Miss English when she was a girl and they are personal friends. Besides Mrs. Harwood is the Seventeenth district chairman of the Illinois Woman's Republican state central committee, and invitations have been sent to all members of the Republican organizations. The invitations are very handsome.

High School News.
At the meeting of the Sapphonian society yesterday the following program was given:
Vocal Solo—Jessie Brown, with auto-harp accompaniment.
Reading—Maggie Veale.
Debate—Question, "Resolved, That examinations are a true test of scholarship." Affirmative, Gertrude Phillips, Laura Fife and Josephine Kerr; negative, Mollie Grubel, Ethel Priest and Daisy Fletcher. The judges, Miss Graham, Lela Ayres and Mr. Westermann, decided for the affirmative.

Original Story—Edith Montgomery.
Mr. Westermann acted as critic and gave an excellent report.

Explanation.
Dr. Gilford has received a letter from Rev. R. Stephens in which he wishes corrected the statement that he made concerning the brother of Rev. James Miller having been insane. He says he was mistaken and has since been informed that it was the brother's wife who was insane and he has the information from a member of the family. There was no member of the Miller family who was ever insane and the imputation of insanity is resented. Mr. Stephens requests Mr. Gilmore to make this statement to his congregation at Grace M. E. church next Sunday and say that he was mistaken when he conveyed the information as to the brother. The same correction comes from other relatives as to the facts. It is known that Rev. George Miller died a natural death in Kansas.

New Officers—Knights Templar.
Deamunir communitary No. 9, K. T., at their meeting last night elected officers for the year as follows:
Emblem Commander—G. S. Durfee.
Generalissimo—A. J. Wood.
Captain General—G. A. Stadler.
Preceptor—George W. Bright.
Senior Warden—M. F. Metz.
Junior Warden—S. D. May.
Treasurer—J. N. Baker.
Recorder—G. P. Lewis.
Standard Bearer—W. J. Magee.
Sword Bearer—John W. Graves.
Warrior—C. J. Munson.
Sentinel—J. S. McClelland.
First Guard—J. S. King.
Second Guard—A. M. Drew.
Third Guard—J. S. Carter.
Trustees—P. Loeb, W. J. Wayne, G. S. Durfee, Milton Johnson and W. R. Brodie.

Literary Notes.
McClure's Magazine will begin in the January number a series of "Life Portraits of Great Americans" with reproductions of all the existing portraits of Benjamin Franklin known to have been made from life. There are fifteen such portraits, and some of them have never been published. Mr. Charles Henry Hart, probably the highest authority on early American portraits, is collecting and editing the material for the series, and will add introduction and notes giving the history of the several portraits and what ever is interesting in the circumstances of their production. There will also be an article on Franklin by Prof. Treat of the University of the South.

Lida Rose McCabe will tell the story of the celebrated "Matilda Washington Case"—a case which engaged a number of lawyers of national renown, which charged a group of men of the highest business and social standing with causing the burning of a steamboat and the consequent loss of sixteen lives, in order to collect a large sum of insurance; and which, in its day, was a sensation of the first magnitude. The article will be illustrated.

RUNAWAYS CAUGHT.
The Boys Who Left Decatur are Arrested by the Police at Vandalla and Will Be Brought Home.

The parents of the boys who ran away from this city last Monday received a telegram this morning from the police at Vandalla stating that the boys had been caught and were under arrest at that city. Frank Reustorf left today for Vandalla and will return home this evening with his son and the Atkin and Munson boys. The runaways apparently did not get any farther than Vandalla although they shipped their baggage to Kentucky. The boys will be held in jail until Mr. Reustorf arrives in Vandalla, and takes charge of them.

Abel Larson, of Atlanta, has lived in Logan county 58 years.

A MUCH MARRIED MAN.

John T. Hiler and Mary Graham to Decatur in 1890—After a Divorce.

John T. Hiler, noted over four states for his lightning marriages and divorces, has become mixed up in domestic difficulties again and is seeking a divorce from his fourth and last wife, Alice, in Chicago.

Hiler was arrested about two years ago by the equally notorious Sidney Sheehan, who was then inflating his corrupt personality upon Peoria in his capacity as agent for a Chicago sensational sheet and acting as a special detective. He arrested Hiler in Chicago and took him to Bloomington, where he was wanted for bigamy. He carried the case to the supreme court, where it was decided in his favor. Hiler was in Peoria for a time while the Bloomington proceedings were pending.

Hiler's matrimonial epochs are divided as follows:
November 28, 1890, he first married Mary Graham in Decatur; divorced April 14, 1893.
September 2, 1893, was wedded to Miss Lizzie Meyers at Appleton, Wis.; divorced July 10, 1893.
February 24, 1894, married at Bloomington, Ill., Miss Grace Washburne; divorced Oct. 27, 1895.
December 11, 1895, married Miss Alice McClelland of Chicago—still married.

When Mr. Hiler arrived in the city yesterday, says a Chicago paper, he consulted his attorneys, Orten & Cronin, who drew up a bill for divorce, preparatory to filing it this afternoon. The plaintiff, from his experience in that line, rarely allotted to one man outside of attorneys, showed a keen appreciation of the legal phraseology and thought it was just about the "right thing."

"I am very glad that this is the beginning of the end," said Mr. Hiler, as he stroked his smooth upper lip, which has recently been deprived of that bewitching mustache which has fascinated so many young ladies, "and it will soon be over. Then perhaps I can rest easier. Since I have found that it is impossible to melt my little heart of stone with the fires of love which used to thrill us I want to get out of this angle as soon as possible. It does look, though," he continued, trying to twist his absent mustache, "as if I ought to be used to such anxiety by this time. But such is the life of a man who compasses love songs."

THE PARK-SAWYER WEDDING.
Soon-Day Marriage at the Home of the Bride's Parents.

Miss Mary L. Sawyer and Abner K. Park were united in marriage at noon Dec. 17, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Sawyer, northwest of Decatur, in the presence of a large company of friends. The hospitable farm house was crowded with neighbors and friends, guests from Decatur, Harrison and other points.

Promptly at 12:30 Miss Lida Sawyer, a sister of the bride, began the wedding march on the piano and the bride and groom entered the parlor without attendants. They were met by the minister, Rev. Charles McKeown of Harrison, who performed the simple ceremony which united the couple as husband and wife. The bride wore a traveling costume of dark blue and carried a bouquet of flowers. After the ceremony the guests pressed forward to offer their congratulations and best wishes for their future of the happy couple. The wedding dinner was then served and was liberally partaken of by the 100 guests who were present. Mr. and Mrs. Park received a large number of beautiful and costly presents. At 3 o'clock the bride and groom left the house amid a perfect shower of old shoes, rice and good wishes, and drove to this city and took the 4 o'clock train for Springfield, where they will visit for several days. On their return they will at once go to housekeeping on the groom's farm near Harrison.

The bride is well known in this city, where she went to school. She is a niece of Mrs. Silas Packard. She is a prominent worker in the Sharon church. Mr. Park is a prominent young farmer of Harrison township and is also well known here. He is a son of R. M. Park. Among those who attended from this city were Dr. Will Barnes, Silas Packard, R. K. Montgomery, Richard Gulek, William Hall, Dr. Ira N. Barnes, R. W. Shull, W. R. Crossman and H. Cowgill and their wives and Dr. E. W. Moore, Dr. W. A. Barnes, Miss Anna Packard, Miss M. Newman and others.

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY.

Paper on the Organization of the Society Known as the Disciples of Christ.

"The Life and Works of Thomas and Alexander Campbell," was the subject of an able paper by Rev. J. P. McKnight, read before the Peoria Ministerial association. Rev. McKnight gave some of the most salient points essential to a thorough understanding of the movement and mission of the Christian church otherwise known as the Disciples of Christ. Thomas Campbell, the father of Alexander Campbell, was a Roman Catholic, but having given special study to the Bible here named his faith and affiliated with the Episcopalians. Not feeling at home here because of the lack, as he considered it, of life, he joined the church of the Covenanters, but seemed never well pleased even in this church because of the divisions and party spirit he found to prevail there, and he began advocating the doctrine now one of the fundamentals of the Christian church—the union of the children of God.

Coming to America and finding people of all creeds located in his parish, but having no church of their own, he felt a deep sympathy for them and offered them all, regardless of denominational differences, to enjoy with him the Lord's communion. For this he was censured by the Presbytery, and though released from this by the synod, he resigned from the synod and began independent work in the groves and in private houses. At one meeting he showed forth the manifold evil resulting from divisions in the church and the principle was adopted "Where the scriptures speak, we speak, and where the scriptures are silent, we are silent."

This religious movement, called "Campbellism," took concrete form in the Christian Association of Washington, which adopted a verbatim document known as "the declaration and address."

Alexander Campbell was born September 17, 1788, a mile from the ancient and once beautiful Shiloh castle. His mother, a deeply pious woman, seconded his father's efforts in giving Alexander a careful moral religious training. His father was a man of loveliest personal character. He taught his son every evening some passages of the holy writ, and every Sunday evening held a review of that acquired during the week. In teaching his son Thomas Campbell was practical, methodical, not exacting, but appealing to his heart and conscience.

Thomas Campbell became very uneasy when he found his association had really added still another party to the numerous ones existing. Therefore he tried to form a union with the Presbyterians, but as these did not unite with individual congregations of sects, their membership application was rejected. He gained admission, however, to the Redstone Baptist association, but even this union was on the whole a failure. Then it was decided to form an independent church. This materialized May 4, 1810, and was called the First Church of the Christian association, of which, by the way, the Rev. J. W. Kersay, well known in Peoria, is now a pastor.

When, in 1812, Alexander Campbell's first child was born, the matter of infant baptism first came up for more thorough consideration. Consistent with the principles of his association, he began to ascertain what the scriptures had to say upon this topic. Finding nothing there, as he understood it, he concluded infant baptism to be unscriptural, and drew the further conclusion that the only valid baptism is the immersion of the believer. He held a seven days' debate with the Rev. McCalla, a Presbyterian in Kentucky; another with Bishop Purcell on the "Infallibility of the church of Rome," and still another with the agnostic Robert Owen on the "Truth of Christianity."

At Lexington, Ky., he debated with the Rev. N. S. Rice, a Presbyterian, on "Baptism, on Works of the Holy Spirit, and of Human Creeds as the Terms of Union and Communion." This debate lasted eighteen days and its proceeds, covering almost 1000 pages, is a repository of facts and arguments of the disciples.

His great aim was a simple apostolic church, with no church dissections or corruption, but having the Bible as its creed and the spiritual union of all Christians. As a preacher, he was self possessed, and his voice clear as a silver bell. His power was derived not from graceful gesture or flowery language, nor from elaborate glowing descriptions. Nor from merely logical argumentation, but from his singular faculty of stating and connecting facts, producing novel striking combinations of real truths, and of evolving the grand fundamental principle of things. The traits of his mind were exhibited in a rare manner in his public debates.

His chief works were "The Christian Baptist," "Redemption of Sin," "The Christian System," "Memoirs of Thomas Campbell," and "Baptism." The central thought of his life was "Jesus, the Son of God."

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A WIFE KILLS HER HUSBAND

Then Attempts to Kill Herself but Fails—Says She Did Not Love Him and Has No Regrets.

Russellville, Ky., Dec. 18.—Swaying to and fro in the breeze, one half mile south, hanging to the limb of a cedar tree were the bodies of Dink and Arch Proctor, and lying in the county jail here is the dead body of Will Proctor, a half brother. At 9 o'clock this morning a mob visited the jail and after battering down the front door and forcing the jailer to give up the keys, went into the cells of the Proctors. The oldest, Will, caused the mob and was shot dead in his cell. The other two were taken out and hanged. Three weeks ago Arch Proctor, aged 20, stabbed Aaron and D. G. Grafton to death at Adairville. A week ago the Proctors had an examination for killing Aaron Grafton. Dink and Will were acquitted. The examination for the killing of Doc Grafton was set for today. The mob numbered 100 and worked quietly. Will Proctor has been tried three times for murder.

CHRISTMAS WINDOWS.

Some of the Tasteful and Novel Decorations to be Seen at the New Linn & Scruggs Store.

One of the windows in the Linn & Scruggs store is decorated in quite a novel way. The arrangement is a representation of a steam boat. The model is about twenty feet long and is copied from the "Priscilla" of the Fall River line of steamers. The frame work of the boat is of wood and is covered with handkerchiefs tastefully arranged. There are two large smoke stacks and tiny life boats hang on the sides. On the decks are dolls representing the passengers. Incandescent electric lights are arranged on the boat to illuminate it at night. There is a mechanical contrivance which moves the side wheels and rocks the boat in such a way as to give it the appearance of being in water. The window is a most unique one.

Another pretty window is one which represents a winter scene. The background is a landscape and the ground is covered with snow. Children are coasting down a hill of snow on their toboggans and playing in the snow. There is a driveway going over a little bridge under which is a frozen waterfall. At one end is a rugged little girl standing outdoors looking into the window of a house. Inside is another little girl kneeling by her bed and Santa Claus is providing her with presents. The window is quite artistic and is greatly appreciated by the children. The work was done by J. L. Siler, an experienced window dresser who has been employed in the larger cities and who was brought here recently by the firm.

Change of Car Service.

There will be a change in the West Main street service of the electric street car line. There has been but one car on West Main street running every fifteen minutes between the square and Oakland park but after tomorrow the depot cars will run through on West Main street giving a ten-minute service. There will also be another car put on the Condit street line.

The Slimmer Hoax.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Dec. 18.—Telegrams to the Gazette from the friends of Abraham Simmer, the millionaire and philanthropist of Waverly, say there is no truth in the sensational story of his alleged disappearance and hints at abduction or foul play. He is visiting friends at Milwaukee.

Hog Cholera in Iowa.

Ottumwa, Iowa, Dec. 18.—Many hogs are dying of cholera in the vicinity of Blacksburg in this county. Men are going through the county buying carcasses. It is reported that they are shipping diseased meat to larger cities.

Southern Train Robbery.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 18.—A train on the Southern Railway was stopped last night, sixty-five miles from here, by masked men. One express safe was robbed. The robbers got away.

A firm in Hudson is shipping 80,000 bushels of new corn a week to New Orleans. They are paying 17½ cents on account of favorable rates.

When

You can buy 25c doll for 20c it will pay you to come to our house to buy it.

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

The Play.

Last night "The Prisoner of Zenda" was given at the Grand by the Frohman company before a large audience. It was a splendid performance throughout.

Look

At the special things we have in our toy department this week.

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

The Holiday Shoppers' Delight.

For FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

"THE BIG STORE" OFFERS SOME

Rare Attractions.

SPECIAL SALE Of Holiday Goods over the Entire Store.

A Rare Assemblage of Gifts.

3 MAMMOTH FLOORS

Burdened with the Greatest Collection of Christmas Merchandise ever brought to Decatur.

LYNN AND SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET CO.

THE BIG STORE WATER, MAIN & STATE STREETS

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 17, 1896. The REPUBLICAN is indebted to H. Z. Laylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondence in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat— December.....	76½	77	76¼	76½
May.....	80½	80¾	79½	79½
May.....	25¼	25½	25¼	25½
December.....	20	20	19½	20
May.....	7 60	7 60	7 55	7 60
January.....	3 82½	3 82½	3 82	3 82½
May.....	3 82½	3 85	3 82½	3 85

May wheat: puts, 78½c; calls, 80½c; curb, 79½c.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.
Wheat—33, Estimated, 34. Year ago 281.
Corn—30; Estimated, 30; a year ago, 30.
Oats—345; Estimated, 310, a year ago, 175.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.
Wheat, 31, Corn, 318; oats, 250.
Hog receipts 23,000; estimated 31,000. Market steady and shade lower.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—Wheat, cash, No. 2, 90½; May, 89½; Corn, cash, 20½c; May, 23½. Oats, cash, 18c; May, 20½.

NEW YORK MARKET.
NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Wheat, May, 86½c; Corn, May, 31½; Oats, May, 24½c.

PHOENIA QUOTATIONS.
PHOENIA, Dec. 18.—Corn, steady, No. 2 white, 20½c; oats, easy, No. 2, white, 18½c; lye, easy, 37½c.

Lamps and China,
Large variety, newest, showiest and best—the cheapest at Wingate's.—18-46

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

WANTED—SALESMAN.—A good man to sell and deliver on retail trade in this city and surrounding towns. Permanent and profitable. Apply at Hotel Wellington after 4 p. m. or before 8:30 a. m. LEWIS. 18-46

ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

On January 4th, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. I will offer for sale the stock of implements, ladders, pumps, two second-hand engines, power corn sheller, Office Furniture, Seed Cases, Rock, Shovel, Etc., held by me as assignee of Geo. S. Durfee & Bro., at the South Water street, where the proper 7 is located. Sealed bids will be considered which reach me before that hour of sale. I reserve the right to reject any and all bids. This is a rare opportunity for anyone wishing to go into the implement business, and they should not let it pass. I will take pleasure in showing the stock and giving them all the information required.
J. M. HUGHES.
Assignee of Geo. S. Durfee & Bro.
Dec. 18, 1896-46d

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph Hill, Deceased.
The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Joseph Hill, late of the county of Marion, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that he will appear before the county court of Marion county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 18th day of December, 1896.
GEO. S. CONNARD,
Executor.

For Christmas

A Nice Overcoat or Suit makes a very acceptable gift. Neckwear, Mufflers and Jewelry are also inexpensive.

If you are in doubt as to what to purchase, come to us and let us help you solve the problem.

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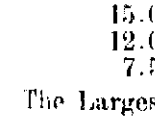
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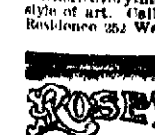
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LATEST AND BEST...

The Lamp Long Wished For.

Professional Tests Declare—

The MILLER LAMP
the Steadiest, Whitest,
Largest Light in the Market

It's screw and plunge lift for regulating the wick, together with its lift attachment for lighting without removing the chimney, will win it immortality. It has no dirt pocket, therefore no bad smell. SEE CUT.

....FOR SALE BY....

Otto E. Curtis & Bro.,

156 EAST MAIN STREET.

This the time of year to buy, while you can get sizes and widths.

Christmas Stock.

Dongola Slippers **Ox Blood Slippers**

BIG VELVET SLIPPERS.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.
B. F. Bobo, Manager, 148 E. Main St.

Jackets And Capes

SPECIAL VALUES THIS WEEK.

Jackets at \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50.
Capes at \$3.75, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50.
Children's Jackets, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00.

Fur Repairing. We reline and repair Seal Coats and Capes and Muffs of all kinds. We make over Fur Capes into late style Ripple Capes.

Blankets at..... 75c, \$1.00, 1.50, 2.50, 3.00, 5.00 pair
Comforts at..... \$1.00, 1.50, 1.75 each
Ready Made Dress Skirts at \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3.00. All Velveteen bound.

Special Values in Handkerchiefs, Kid Gloves, Silk and Wool Mittens and Feather Boas This Week.

Chas. T. Johnston,
151 NORTH WATER STREET.

YOU CAN'T EXPECT

Good results from poor medicines; all adulterations are harmful. Use the best. Everything in the Drug line and of the best at

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MODERN WOODMEN—Regular meeting of the Eastern Camp, No. 1626 M. W. A., this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock in the R. of P. hall, Opera House block. A full attendance is desired. Election of officers. FRANK SANFORD, V. G. O. W. SMITH, Clerk.

LOCAL NEWS.

Gunther's Candy at Bell's Drug Store.
Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kook.

Fine holiday packages of perfumes at West's drug store.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

B. I. Covert of Spring Lake, has mysteriously disappeared.

The largest line of fancy Bottled Perfumery at Bell's Drug Store.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Weigand. Mob 25-dtf.

Holiday perfume packages, 25 cents, 50 cents and \$1 each at West's drug store.

Sleeth is the only photographer in the city who guarantees satisfaction.

The old reliable K & W cigars are made by John Weigand. Mob 25-dtf.

Order your Thanksgiving dinner of Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—16-4t

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct21dt

The best Christmas presents are one of those fine perfume packages at West's drug store.

The members of the men's club of the All Angel's church will give an entertainment on the evening of New Year's eve.

Be sure and have one for breakfast a nice fat salt mackerel 10c, shore blotters Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—16-4t

New upright pianos \$335, \$250, \$275 and \$300. A good upright piano, slightly used, for \$185 on payments. Call and select for Christmas. Prescott music house.—dec7 dtt

PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank H. Hall and wife of Kenosha, Wis., are in the city visiting J. A. Swearingin.

Miss Jenkins of Chicago, who has been in the city visiting Mrs. L. A. Buckingham, has returned home.

Mrs. J. Edward Saxton went to Porto Auarte yesterday to visit her brother, Edward Wamsley.

Mrs. James Miller and daughter, Mrs. Hattie Butterworth of Bloomington are in the city visiting friends and will remain over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Rosen have returned from St. Louis, where they were called by the illness and death of Miss Rosen, the venerable father of Mr. Rosen.

China.

There are so many beautiful things in our store this year that it is impossible for us to give you any idea what beautiful things are produced in this line. If you will give our stock an inspection you will no doubt find just what you want for a Christmas present.

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

The Railway Case.

The attorneys in the I. D. & W. railway case still have the attention of Judge Vail in the circuit court. There is no end of talk on vital points involving the legal ownership of property valued at over \$3,000,000. It is not known when the big legal fight will terminate.

Christmas Candles.

Carmichael can furnish you with the freshest of Xmas candles. He also has holly and evergreens in abundance.—16-4t

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brated persons are found as busts, the Gods of old are so preserved and the head is alone shown for it measures the man, and by it he is recognized; this man whose long services in our public schools have won for him lasting distinction in this city, deserves that the thousands who know him, and have been associated with him in his thirty-five years of service, should have some lasting reminder of himself. Those features so well copied by the artist, only lacking the great soul that animated them, will almost seem alive to his pupils and his friends.

We receive this bust and give it a prominent place in the building, and will point with pride to it, as all the coming years we say to those who see it, "This is our man, our 'Gastman,' who figured so conspicuously in making our public schools what they are."

"Old Friends" was a selection by the High School Glee club.

Letter and Telegram.

The following personal letter from A. S. Draper, president of the Illinois State University at Champaign was ready by Mr. Sheppard.

University of Champaign, Champaign, Dec. 16, '96.—J. J. Sheppard: Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your polite invitation to attend the unveiling of the bust of Superintendent Gastman on Friday afternoon. I regret very much to say that a public engagement made long since, elsewhere in the state, forbids my accepting the same, otherwise I should have pleasure in joining with those who will do honor to your capable and efficient superintendent.

I can only send my best wishes and heartily endorse whatever may be said in his way of paying respect to one who has guided the public educational interests of your city for so long and so well, and who merits my highest esteem. Very sincerely yours, A. S. Draper, Pres.

Mr. Sheppard also read this telegram from Hon. S. M. Inglis, state superintendent of public instruction:

DeKalb, Ill., Dec. 17, '96. E. A. Gastman: Sorry I cannot be with you. It is just right. May you have thirty five more years and another crown. Hurrah. S. M. Inglis

Mr. Gastman's Life and Work.

In this connection it will be of special interest to give a sketch of the life and work of Mr. Gastman, who besides being a veteran superintendent is also president of the Illinois state board of education and is personally known in many states east and west as a leading educator.

Enoch A. Gastman was born in the city of New York, June 15, 1831. His father was from the city of Hudson, New York, and his mother from the town of Cashel, county of Tipperary, Ireland. For twenty years the father was a sailor but after his marriage in 1830, he became a drayman. The financial panic of 1837 ruined his business and in 1838 he took Greeley's advice and came west. He became a stockholder in the colony from Long Island which entered nearly all the land in Hudson township, McLean county, and founded the village of that name the journey from New York to Bloomington occupied three weeks. It can now be made in thirty hours. In April, 1838, he began the improvement of the farm which is still owned by his son, George W. Gastman, Hudson, Ill.

No schools were established until about 1846 and then they were of the most primitive kind. The subject of this sketch attended the Union school about two miles north of Hudson, nearly every winter from 1846 to 1854. In summer he worked on the farm. Jonathan H. Rowell, for many years in congress from the Fourteenth district, was one of the teachers of this school. While engaged in splitting rails in February, 1854, Mr. Gastman met with an accident which landed him for life and caused him to become a teacher rather than a farmer. In October, 1854, he commenced his life work in a little log school house near the present town of Saybrook in the eastern part of McLean county at a salary of \$20 per month and board. This first school was not a great success. At the end of a term of three months he entered the Wesleyan University in Bloomington and remained one term when, for financial reasons, he went back to work on the farm. In June, 1855, ten days before he was 24 years old, he was elected to the high and responsible office of constable in Hudson township, and except for a few months, he held this office until he resigned to come to Decatur in 1860.

In April, 1856, he commenced his second school in Kappa, Woodford county, being engaged for three months at a salary of \$35 per month. At the end of the term he was asked on what terms he would teach a fall and winter school of six months. He answered that he would do it for \$250. The directors said they could not pay it. He immediately commenced to make preparations to attend Marek college but a day or two before he was to leave home the directors informed him that they would give him the school at the price named. He regards this as one of the most successful schools he ever taught.

In March, 1857, he entered Eureka college intending to remain one year and then resume teaching, but the Normal opened Oct. 5, 1857, and Mr. Gastman entered the first day and graduated with the first class June 29, 1860. During the three years of his course he earned his support by working as constable on Saturdays and during vacations. In order to reduce expenses to the lowest point he boarded himself most of the time at an expense of about \$1 per week. He was very grateful for the kindness of many friends in Bloomington and Had-

son who helped him by giving him work during these years.

In July, 1860, he heard of a vacancy in the Decatur schools and came here to see about it. The late Joel S. Post was a member of the first state board of education which had managed the Normal school from the beginning. He had formed an acquaintance with Mr. Gastman in the school and greeted him very kindly on this visit. He introduced him to the board of directors, Messrs. A. T. Hill, S. K. Swingley and Dr. E. W. Moore. At the earnest solicitation of Captain Post an application was filed for the principalship of the "Big Brick," then the only public school house in the city, now the front part of the Church street school. This position had become vacant by the resignation of Prof. A. J. Johnson after a service of two years. At a meeting of the board held August 20, 1860, Mr. J. K. Pickett of Ohio, was chosen principal of the building at a salary of \$180 and Mr. Gastman was elected "principal of the preparatory department" at a salary of \$370 for a term of six months. Soon after these appointments were made all of the directors resigned and the schools opened September 10, 1860. William E. Nelson, Lower Burrows, and H. L. Bunn constituted the new board. The next summer, Messrs. Nelson and Burrows retired and Messrs. Enos N. Honkle and Henry B. Dufree became members. Soon after Mr. D. L. Bunn resigned and Mr. Samuel Rea was elected to fill the vacancy. These directors continued in charge of the schools until the election of the first board of education under a new charter in April, 1865.

In 1861 Mr. Gastman was made principal of the intermediate department, or fourth grade, in the Big Brick at a salary of \$270 for six months.

It is an interesting fact that the only question of salary that has ever been raised between Mr. Gastman and the members of the board occurred at this time. Another teacher had been appointed to a similar position at a salary of \$300, so the offer of \$270 was declined with thanks and the reasons frankly given. The board immediately made the salaries equal and the position was at once accepted.

On July 13, 1863, Mr. Gastman was unanimously elected the first superintendent and principal of the high school that the schools of Decatur ever had and he continued to fill the former position, "even unto this day," a period of over thirty four years.

So far as is known there is not another case of equally long service in the same position in the whole northwest and not more than one or two in the United States.

When he first called the teachers together in September, 1862 there were but fourteen in the city to answer, now there are seventeen in the high school and eighty two employed in all the schools. Then the city owned but one building with four school rooms, now there are twelve buildings with eighty three school rooms. Then the reference library consisted of one dictionary, now it contains over 1200 well selected and valuable books. At that time a laboratory in connection with a public school was probably not known in this country, now there are two well equipped laboratories where hundreds of the children of the city are taught every school day to solve problems in natural science by actually performing the experiments themselves.

Mr. Gastman has signed seven hundred and thirteen diplomas for graduates of the high school and has made out orders for the payment of millions of dollars. Over twenty years ago Governor John M. Palmer appointed him a member of the state board of education and succeeding governors have kept him in the position with but any solicitation on his part. He has served on the most important committees in that body and has been elected its president. He has filled all the important offices in the Illinois Teachers' association and has frequently appeared upon its programs. It is believed that he is the only teacher who has had the honor of declining a professorship in each of the two state Normal schools.

Mr. Gastman is deeply grateful to the people of Decatur for their unwavering kindness and support. He feels that his lines have indeed been cast in pleasant places through the good will and kindly forbearance of a great host of loving and loyal friends.

DEDICATE TO-NIGHT.

The Members of Mason Lodge Will Receive Their Friends This Evening in Their New Hall.

The members of Mason lodge No. 8, A. F. and A. M., will give a large reception this evening to open their newly fitted hall in the Masonic temple. The building has been changed, repaired and furnished and an addition built on the east end at an expense of about \$20,000 and the apartments are now as handsome as any that can be found in this part of the state. This evening they will be thrown open and all members of the Masonic fraternity and their friends are invited to attend. The committee who had in-

charge the arrangements was composed of M. C. Horman, chairman, C. L. Harvey, E. F. Willis, J. W. Carter and Guy P. Lewis. Those who will receive this evening are I. A. Buckingham, George W. Bright, W. L. Hammer, N. L. Krone, W. H. Grindol, W. R. Scruggs, W. J. Wayne, A. J. Wood, J. D. Templeton, D. C. Shockley, M. L. Johnson and George A. Studler.

The opening is a big event in the history of the lodge, which is the oldest organization of the kind in the city. Mason lodge was organized in 1810 and was the first lodge in the state to receive a charter from the present grand lodge. The charter members were George A. Patterson, Dr. Joseph King, William Lefforge, Henry Prather, Leonard Ashton, James Ashton and High League. The first meeting was held in a house at the northwest corner of Wood and Franklin streets and afterward the lodge joined with the school district and erected a building where the Powers shoe store now stands. Fifteen years later they took a room in the Carter building on North Water street and occupied that until they moved into the Masonic Temple which was built in 1883 at a cost of \$18,000. The membership has grown until it now reaches 840.

THE WORLD RENOWNED

Painting—Wonderful Petrified Woman. Cheerfully Recommended by the Republican as a Meritorious Exhibit.

The Republican commends the two interesting exhibits at 431 North Water street, to its readers' attention. The picture, "Christ Before Pilate," is a master piece and not only remarkable as a work of art, but the "Man of Galilee" adds from all divine considerations, was the most striking character the world ever has or ever shall know, and all that pertains to illustrate his life should concern mankind. Pictures appeal to the understanding better than words hence we advise all to see this famous painting. The exhibit is under the management of Mrs. E. J. Taylor and daughter who take great pains to give an instructive and entertaining explanation to all. It is a show or museum but purely a scientific and educational exhibit, from which every visitor derives a lasting benefit.

POLEN SENT UP FOR LIFE

Jury Fails to Give the Death Sentence in Clinton Murder Case.

The trial of Edward Polen for the murder of his young wife and her mother at Clinton last March, was concluded before a jury and Judge Herdman last evening at Clinton. At 2 o'clock this morning the jury came in with a verdict. Every body expected that the death penalty would be inflicted, but the jury found that the defendant be confined in the penitentiary for life, part of the time in solitary confinement.

The verdict was a disappointment but it will stand. Judge Herdman himself was disappointed.

The insanity dodge didn't work with the jury.

Court of Honor

Decatur Court of Honor No. 19 elected the following officers last night: Worthing Chamberlain—Dr. L. H. Clark; Vice Chamberlain—Mrs. J. M. Hayes; Past Chamberlain—R. J. Davidson; Recorder—Dr. J. M. Blatch; Treasurer—Mrs. H. T. Weigand; Conductor—Thomas Long; Chaplain—Dr. Phoebe Collins; Guard—Charles B. Bentley.

Sentinel—Ester A. J. Talley; Director—H. A. Wood; Medical Directors—Mrs. H. M. Wood, L. H. Clark and Phoebe Collins.

Delegates to Supreme Court at Springfield Jan. 26 and 27—D. M. Kinnison and Dr. J. H. Clark.

Alternates—Thomas F. Drew and Miles E. Johnson.

Broken a Plate Glass.

An accident occurred this morning on North Park street which resulted in the breaking of a heavy plate glass in Seewill's store. Mrs. Eldridge had driven up in her buggy and gone in the predecessor & Burrows bank. Miss Rose Abel was in the buggy when the horse became frightened and backed up on the sidewalk until the wheel broke the window glass. The loss is considerable as the glass was a very heavy one.

Lamps.

We have everything in lamps that any one may wish. Both with silk shades and decorated globes. The prices are right on them. E. D. Bartholomew Co.

Threw a Stone.

Dan Briley got in trouble this afternoon at the depot. He threw a stone through a window of a shanty near the Illinois Central tracks. He was drunk and the railroad men held him until a police was sent for. Officer Land lodged him in the short street station.

Have you seen the great base ball game? It is the most exciting game made, for sale only by E. D. Bartholomew Co.

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes. Take Contra-Cold Tablets guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists.

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